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ROBERT EDGREN.TWIN SULLIVAN IN
QUIET WAY TELLS
OF HIS HARD LUCKConqueror of Burns, Schreck and
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splitting the purse even, as we had agreed to in the articles. I said I didn't care, and Tommy suggested 60 and 40. So we let it go at that. His loser's end, 40 per cent, didn't amount to much. He was an easy mark at that time. All he had was a poor left hand and a right swing that might knock your head off if it landed. I just stuck my left into his face all the time, and his right fell short. He could only slap me on the back with it, while I made a muck of his features. After the fight I learned that Burns had bet \$600 on himself, which, with his training expenses, left him flat broke.

"M" CAREY had Burns, and to help him out of the hole and get him a little change matched him with Marvin Hart. When Burns turned in and trimmed Hart it was a surprise to everybody. But he landed in soft and made the best of it. That was where the joke was on me. I might have had Hart myself. Tommy has had the pick of the matches ever since, but he hasn't displayed any anxiety to take me on again. I lost Kaufman the same way. Billy Delaney asked me to teach Al something about boxing. I went to work with him. I like Al. He's a game one. He isn't afraid of being hurt. In training he never asked me to go easy, like Berger. Sam used to kick if his sparring partner hit him in the stomach. Kaufman never kicked.

"I was working with Al a little when O'Brien showed up. O'Brien got Kaufman when he didn't know much about the game and trimmed him. O'Brien was clever enough to get Kaufman to place without taking a chance. But he had Al worn down he ran for his life. But he won and got a great reputation in the newspaper. I don't think I can take Al on because I was helping him train. No more of that for me. It interferes with business."

"I've whipped Schreck, Hugo Kelly and Burns and a lot of others. Now I want to fight Burns again, and I see that they are putting Schreck up as the logical candidate for the next championship battle. Where does he come in ahead of me? Sullivan looked thoughtful."

"If you don't get Burns whom you fight next?"

"Well," said Jack, "I'd like to fight this Salter Burke if he's willing. I'd fight him for any club that offered a good enough purse. If he gets through the fight with Johnson without being butchered I'd take him on. But Johnson's a tough proposition for a smaller man like Burke. He's an awful big coon, with long reach and a lot of cleverness. I think Johnson comes nearer to Joe Gans in fighting style than any other man I ever saw. Gans is the greatest boxer that ever lived. He just stands still and puts out his gloves and punches and punches and punches that come over. He picks them off and then punches deliberately when he gets an opening. This Johnson does the same thing. And he's big as a house. I was sorry when I heard that old Fitz was going to fight him. Fitz was a wonder in his time, but the poor fellow doesn't know what he's in for. I saw Fitz fight O'Brien out West, and I knew that the poor old fellow didn't have a chance."

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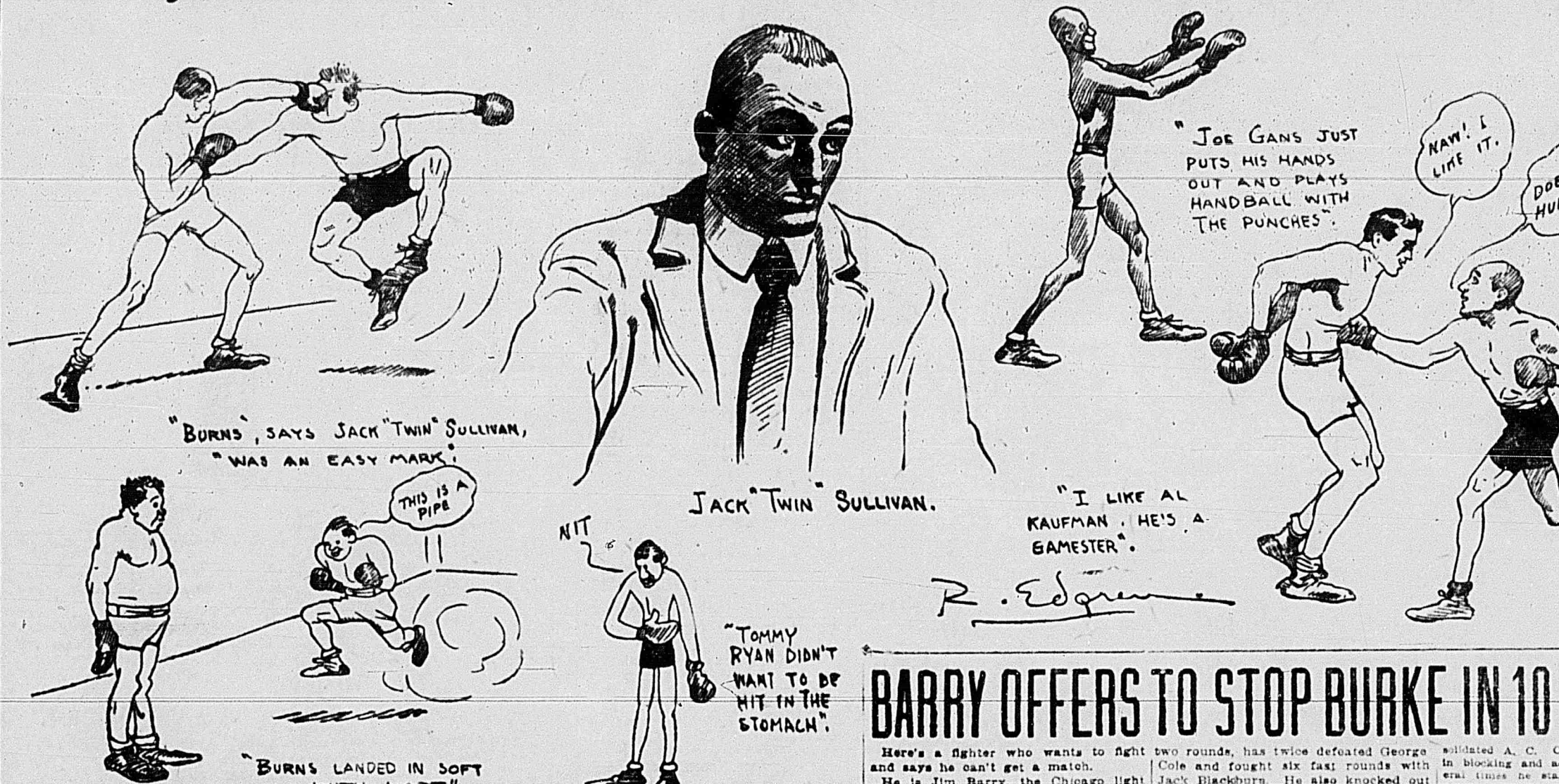
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